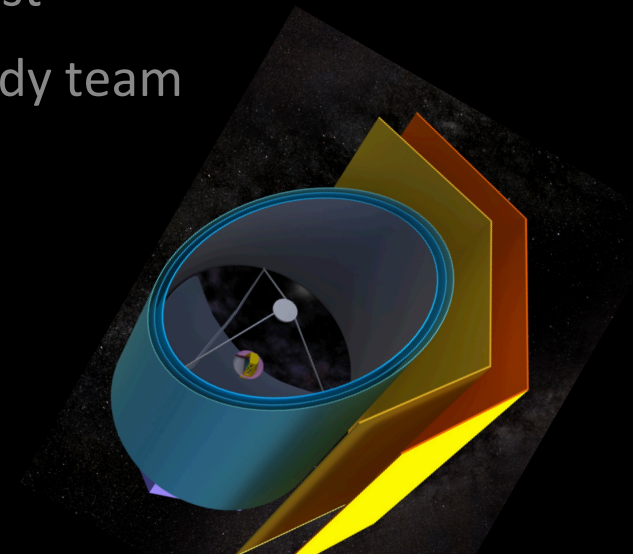
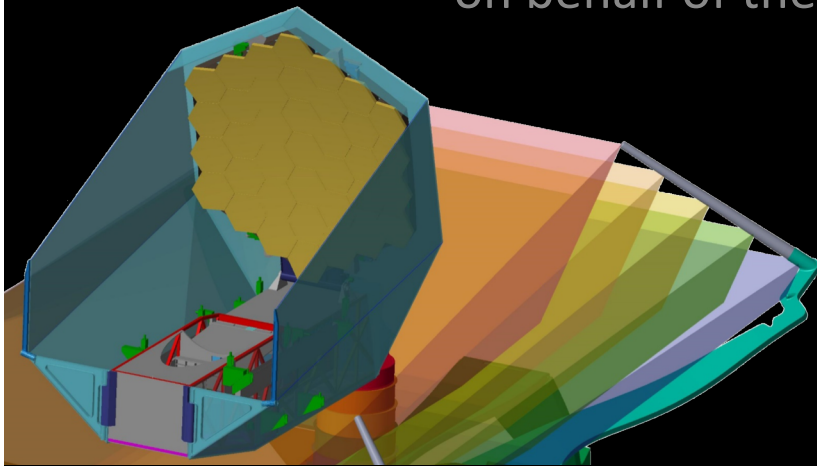
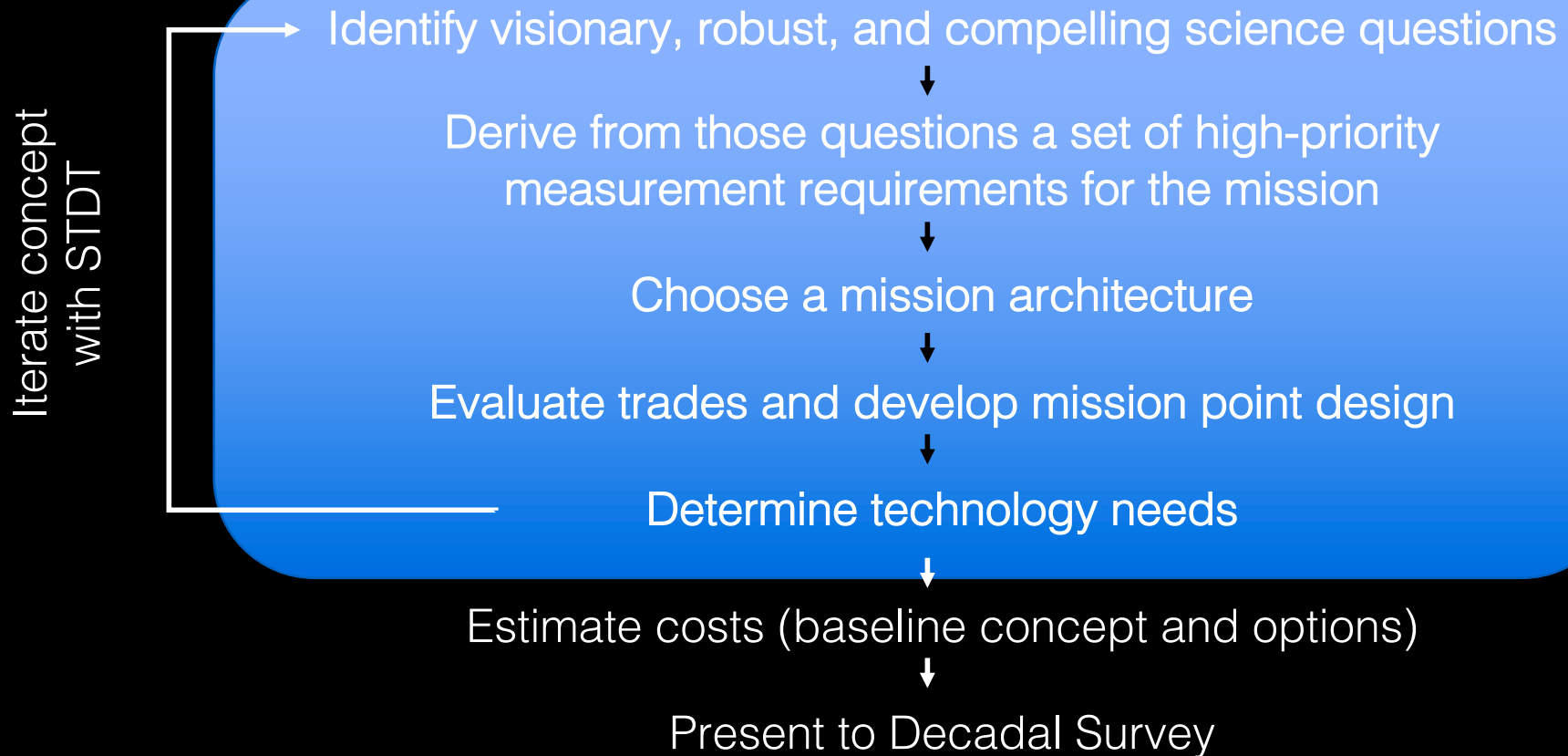


OST Mission Concept

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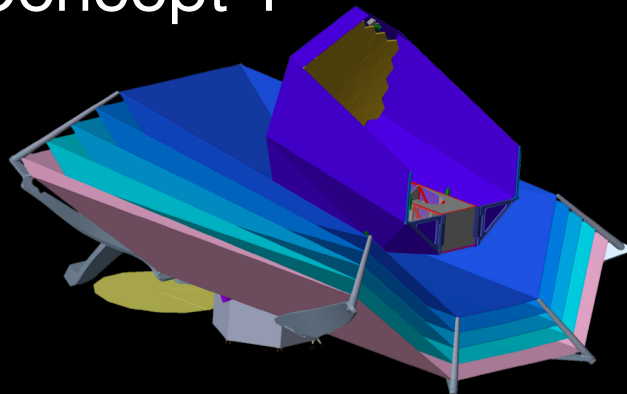


Study approach



Architecture evolution

Concept 1



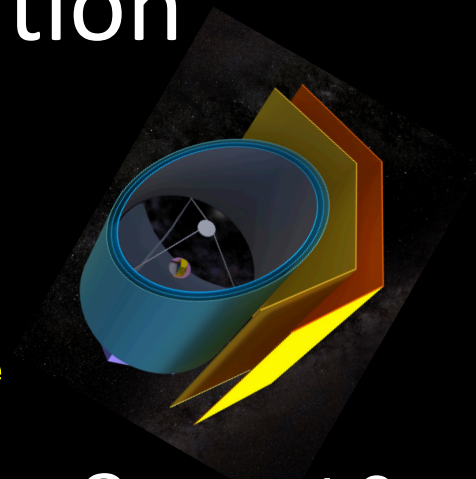
retain high-value
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constrain
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eliminate complex
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risk

reduce size

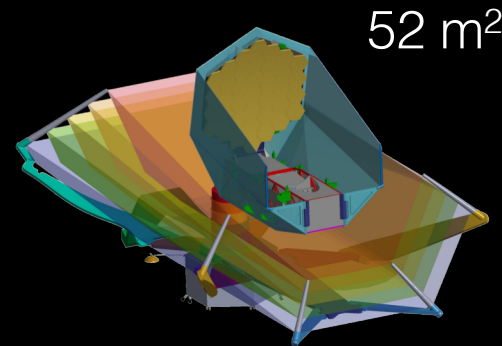
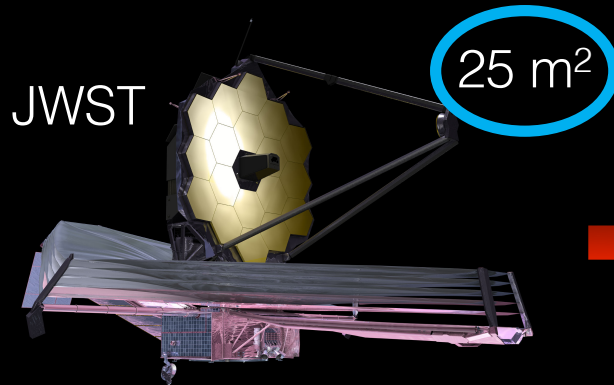
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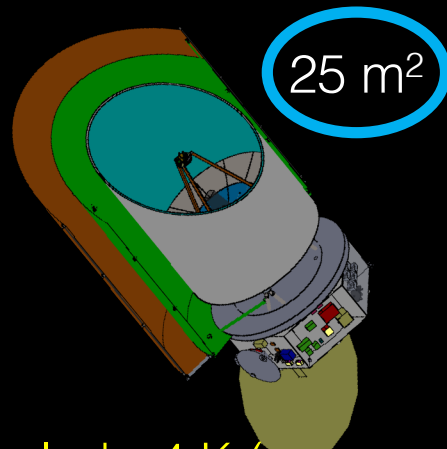
optimization

Decadal baseline
concept with
upscope options

Architecture inspiration



OST Concept 1:
Open architecture



OST Concept 2:

- Better stray light protection
- Can demonstrate shield deployment on the ground

All concepts studied are cryo-cooled ~4 K (no expendable cryogen)

Major Architecture Trades

Telescope size

- JWST collecting area to capture transit spectroscopy from enough exoplanets

Deployed vs. Non-deployed

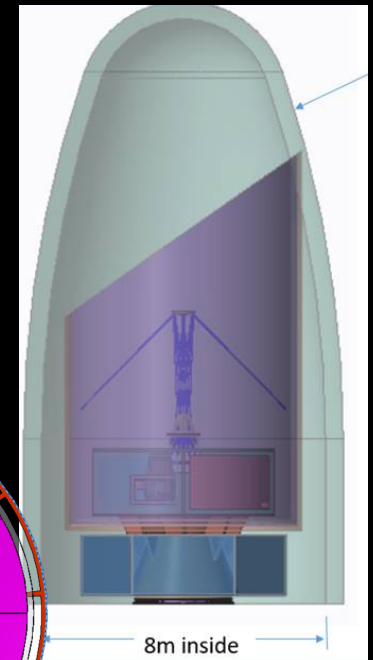
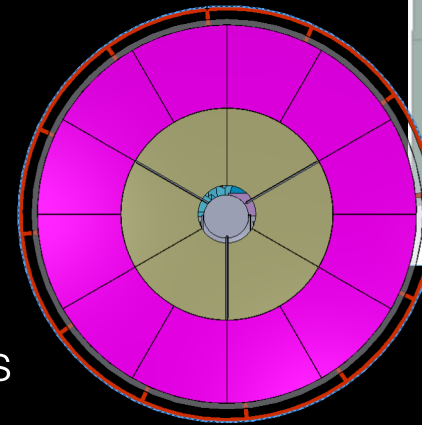
- Non-deployed optics for simplicity
- SLS (or BFR) required, but viewed as less risky than deployment

On- vs. off-axis

- On-axis for ease of packaging

Size of primary mirror segments

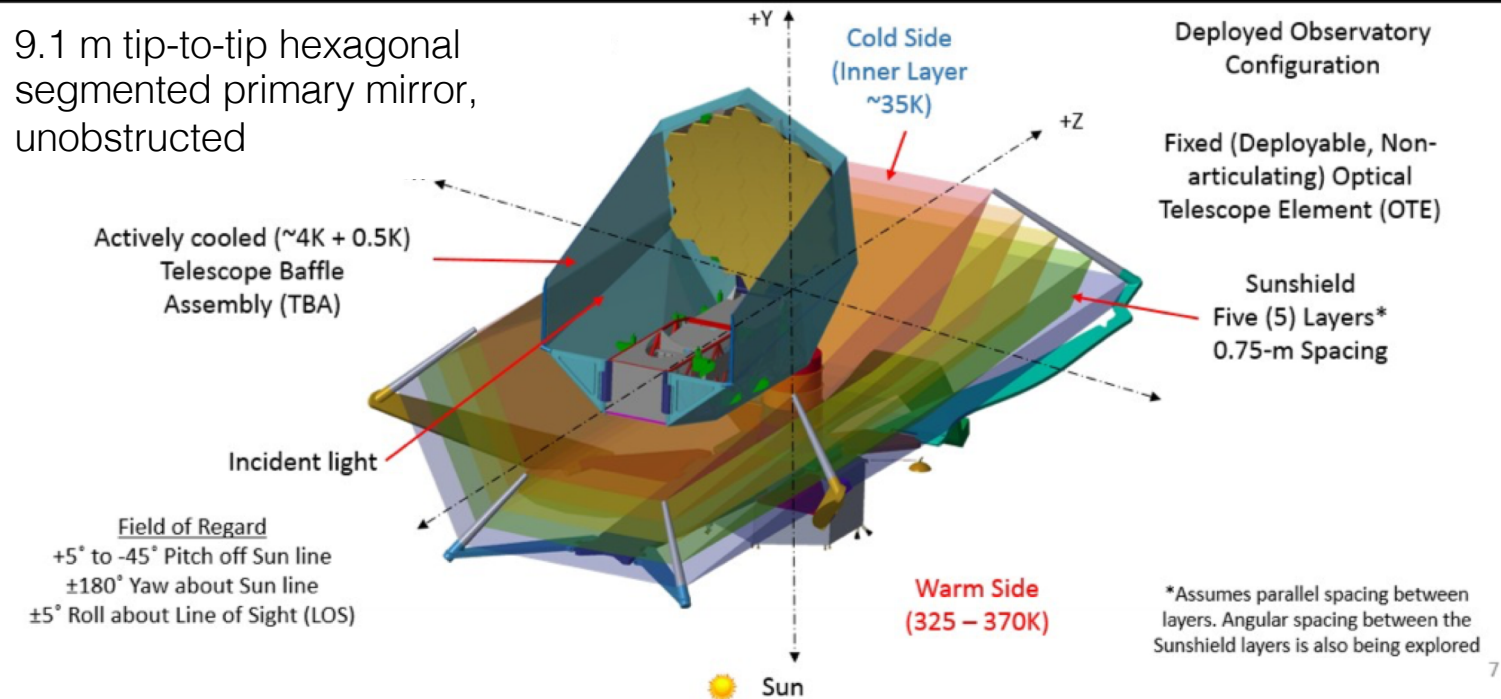
- JWST size, but forming circular aperture
 - 18 segments with only two prescriptions
 - Manufacturing facilities exist



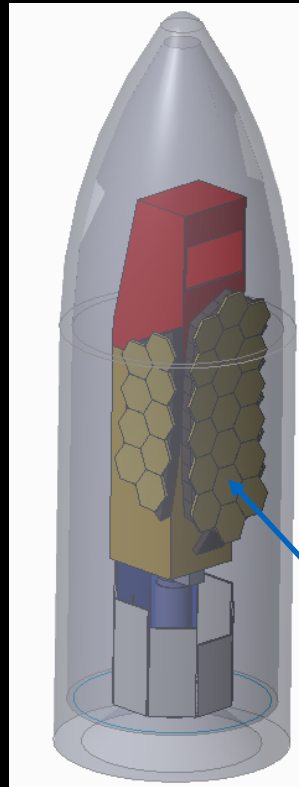
OST Concept 1

- Satisfies nearly all of the science team's "desirements"
- No cost constraint

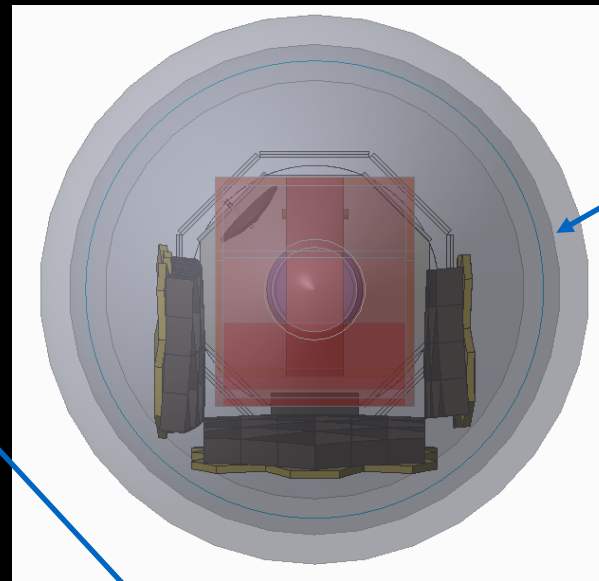
9.1 m tip-to-tip hexagonal segmented primary mirror, unobstructed



Concept 1 stowed for launch



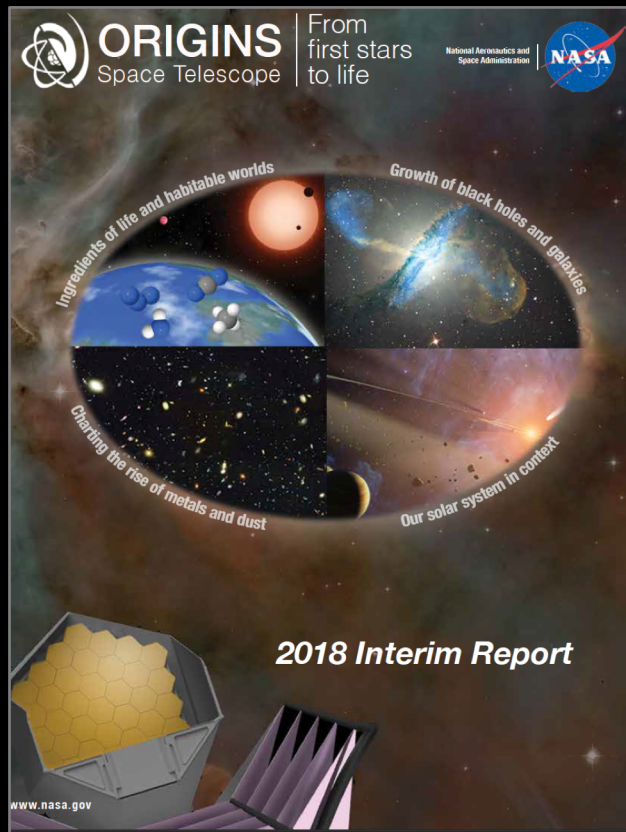
8.4-m SLS fairing



7.5-m
fairing ID

Primary mirror wraps around
Instrument Accommodation Module

OST Concept 1



Concept 1 is described in the
OST Interim Report

- Available on our website
<https://asd.gsfc.nasa.gov/firs/docs/> or
- <https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.09702>

Science drivers for OST C2

OST is a mid- and far-IR observatory whose design is driven by community-prioritized science to answer three questions:

1. How common are life-bearing planets orbiting M dwarf stars?
 - Biosignatures in the mid-infrared
2. How do the conditions for habitability develop during the process of planet formation?
 - Follow the trail of water (vapor and ice) from the interstellar medium to nascent planets
3. How do galaxies form stars, grow their central supermassive black holes, and make heavy elements over time?
 - Probe the universe deeply in key diagnostic spectral lines without the adverse effect of dust extinction

Design drivers

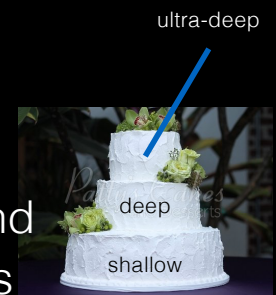
Derived requirements

The prioritized scientific objectives for OST require:

- exquisite sensitivity (e.g., 5σ sensitivity to spectral lines at 10^{-20} W m⁻² in 1 hour);
- spectroscopy with resolving power ranging from 10 to $>10^5$ in approximately order-of-magnitude increments;
- an ability to survey large areas in a reasonable observing time (e.g., a deep extragalactic “Legacy survey” covering 10 deg² in 1000 hours); and
- superlative stability (<5 ppm) to enable a fruitful search for biosignatures in the spectra of transiting exoplanets.

The prioritized scientific objectives do not require high (sub-arcsecond) angular resolution.

A cold (4.5 K) telescope equipped with next-generation detectors in high pixel count arrays can approach the astronomical background photon noise limit and satisfy the requirements.



OST concept comparison

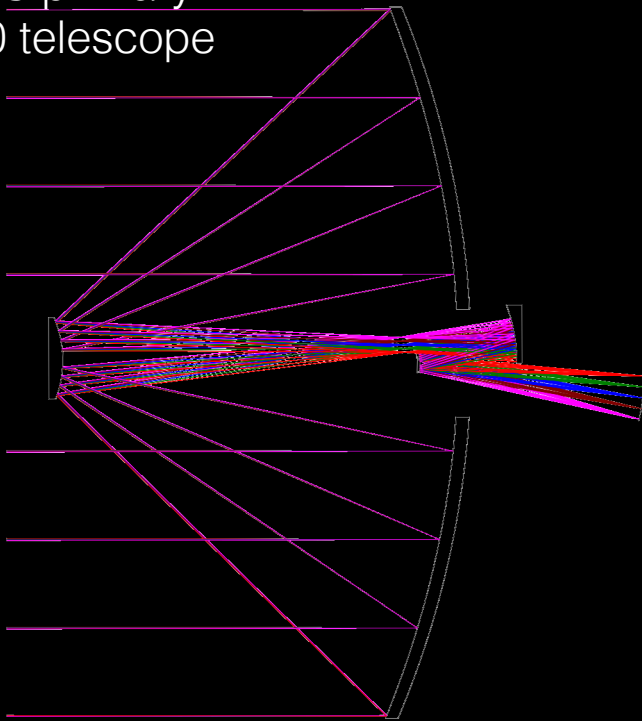
Parameter	OST Concept 1	OST Concept 2
Wavelength range (μm)	5 - 660	5 - 588
Telescope Field of View (arcmin)	25 x 15	40 x 15
Launch Vehicle/Configuration	SLS with 8.4 m fairing	Compatible with SLS with 8.4 m fairing; Space X BFR with ~9 m fairing; Blue Origins New Glenn with ≥ 7 m fairing
Telescope first-order specifications		
Aperture size	9.1 m hexagonal, tip-to-tip; segmented; folded when stowed for launch, and deployed in space	5.9 m diameter (circular; no deployment)
Collecting area (m^2)	52	25
f -number	$f/12.8$	$f/14.0$
Effective Focal Length (m)	116	82.6
Design form	Three-mirror anastigmat, unobstructed (off-axis pupil)	Three mirror anastigmat, on-axis pupil, 0.9 m central obstruction
Operating temperature (K)	4	4
Spatial resolution	Diffraction limited at $\lambda = 30 \mu\text{m}$ (MISC instrument diffraction limited at $5 \mu\text{m}$ with deformable mirror)	Diffraction limited at $\lambda = 30 \mu\text{m}$ (MISC instrument diffraction limited at $5 \mu\text{m}$ with deformable mirror)
Pointing requirements	Knowledge: 30 mas (MRSS inertial point); Control: 44 mas; Jitter: 22 mas RMS (at MISC; telescope rqmt TBD)	TBD; approximately the same as Concept 1
Instrument suite		
	Mid-Infrared Imager Spectrometer Coronagraph (MISC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength range: 5 - 38 μm Imaging, spectroscopy Coronagraphy (10^{-6} contrast) Transit Spectrometer (<10 ppm stability on a timescale of hours to days) Study partners: JAXA, NASA ARC 	Mid-Infrared Imager Spectrometer Coronagraph (MISC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength range: 5 - 38 μm Imaging, spectroscopy Transit Spectrometer (5 ppm stability, with a goal of 1 ppm, on a timescale of hours to days) Study partners: JAXA, NASA ARC
	Medium Resolution Survey Spectrograph (MRSS)	Origins Survey Spectrometer (OSS)

OST instruments by concept

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	High Resolution Spectrometer (HRS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength range: 25 - 200 μm High-resolution, high-sensitivity spectroscopy Study partner: NASA GSFC 	
	Far-infrared Imager and Polarimeter (FIP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength bands: 40, 80, 120, 240 μm Broadband imaging Field of view 2.5' x 5', 7.5' x 15' Differential polarimetric imaging Study partner: NASA GSFC 	Far-infrared Imager and Polarimeter (FIP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength bands: 40, 80, 120, 240 μm Broadband imaging Field of view 13.5' x 9' @ 120 and 240 μm, 4.5' x 3' @ 40 and 80 μm Polarization sensitivity: 0.1% in linear and circular; $\pm 1^\circ$ in pol. Angle Study partner: NASA GSFC
	Heterodyne Receiver for OST (HERO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength bands: 63 - 66, 111 - 641 μm Multi-beam high-resolution spectroscopy Study partner: European consortium 	Heterodyne Receiver for OST (HERO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wavelength bands: 617 - 397 μm; 397 - 252 μm; 252 - 168 μm; and 168 - 111 μm $R = 10^5 - 10^7$ spectroscopy Instantaneous FoV: 2.1' x 2.1' @ 480 μm; 1.3' x 1.3' @ 300 μm; 0.8' x 0.8' @ 200 μm; 0.6' x 0.6' @ 130 μm Study partner: European consortium

OST Concept 2 telescope

$f/0.63$ primary
 $f/14.0$ telescope



5.9 m

Three-mirror (TMA) selected over two-mirror system

- Larger FoV
- Improved imaging performance
- Incorporate Field Steering Mirror

On-axis selected over off-axis

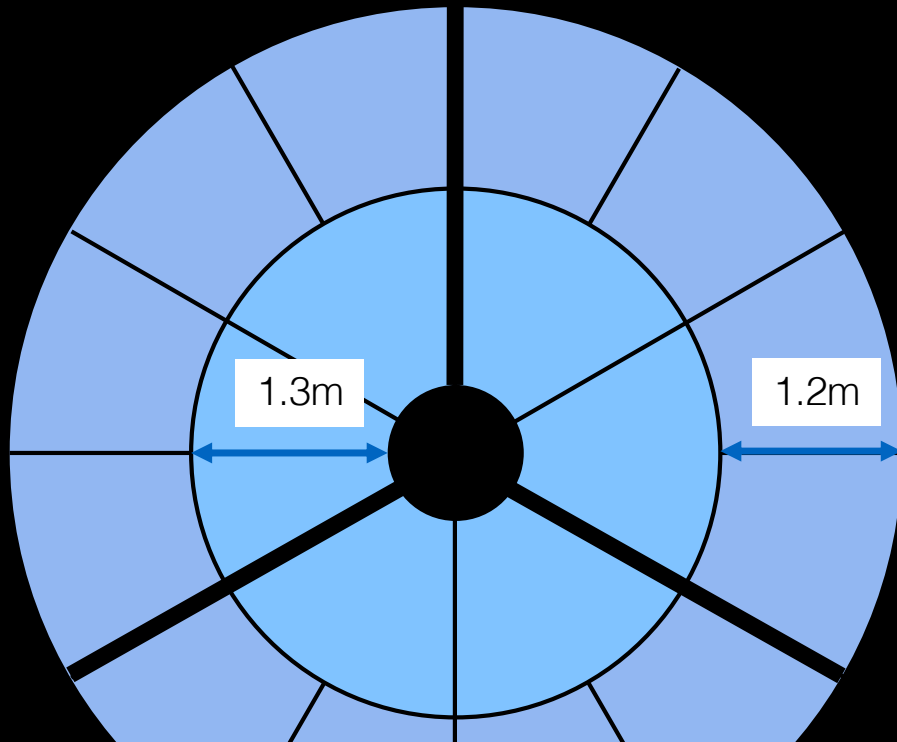
- Easier to package in fairing
- Easier fabrication/testing – more symmetric segments

Circular pupil selected over elliptical or rectangular

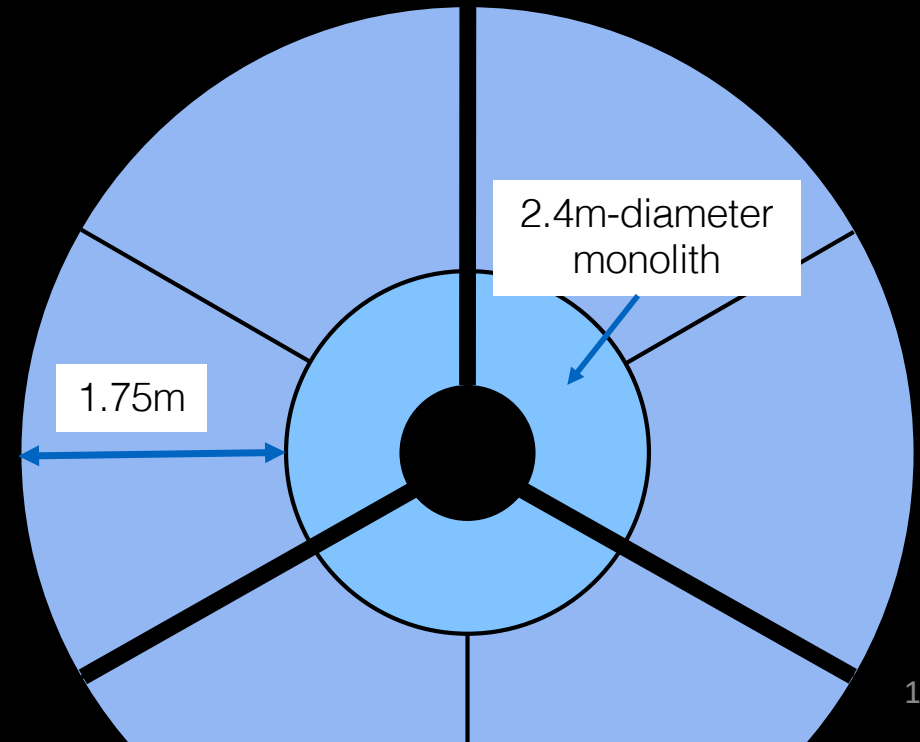
- Cleaner/symmetric PSFs

Primary mirror segments

Option 1a: replace Herschel-sized (3.5m) monolith w/ six segments. 12 segments in outer ring.

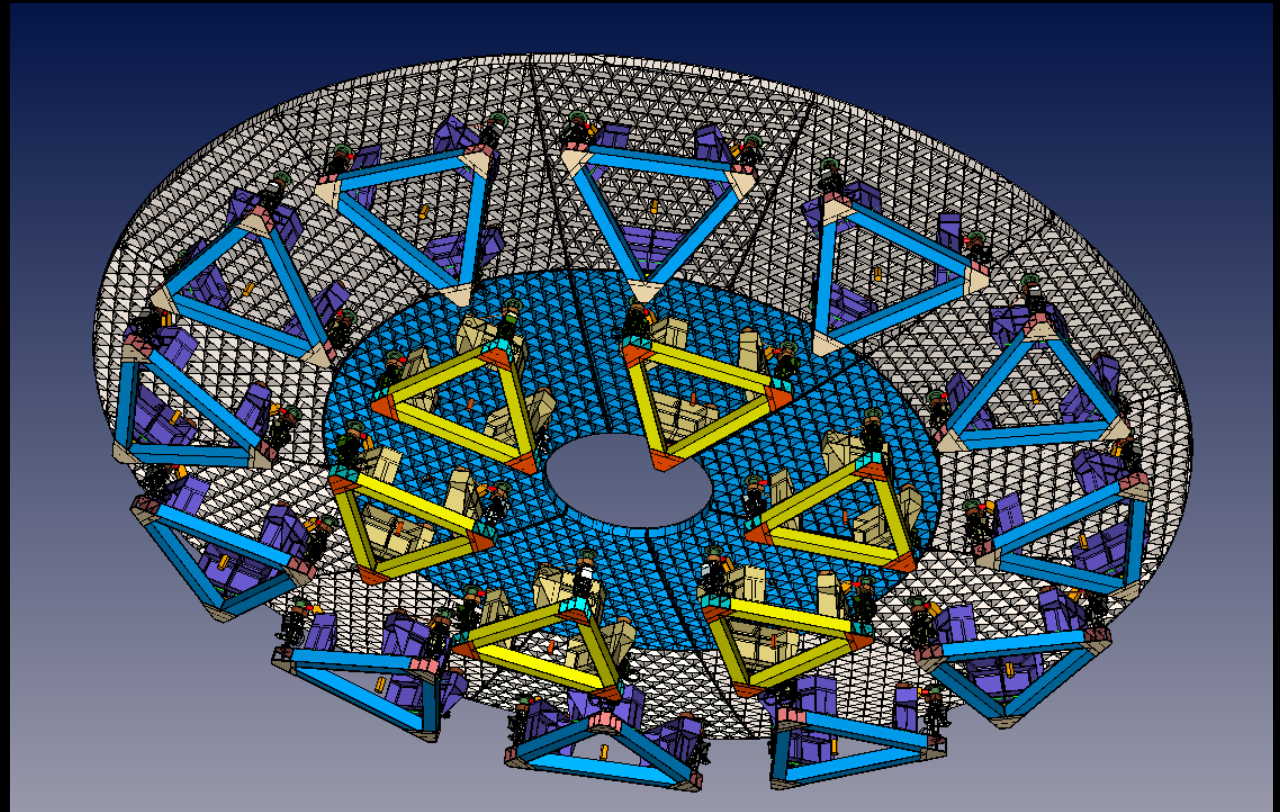


Option 2a: Hubble-sized (2.4m) monolith surrounded by ring of six segments.



3 dof segment actuation

Only need to adjust
piston, tip and tilt.



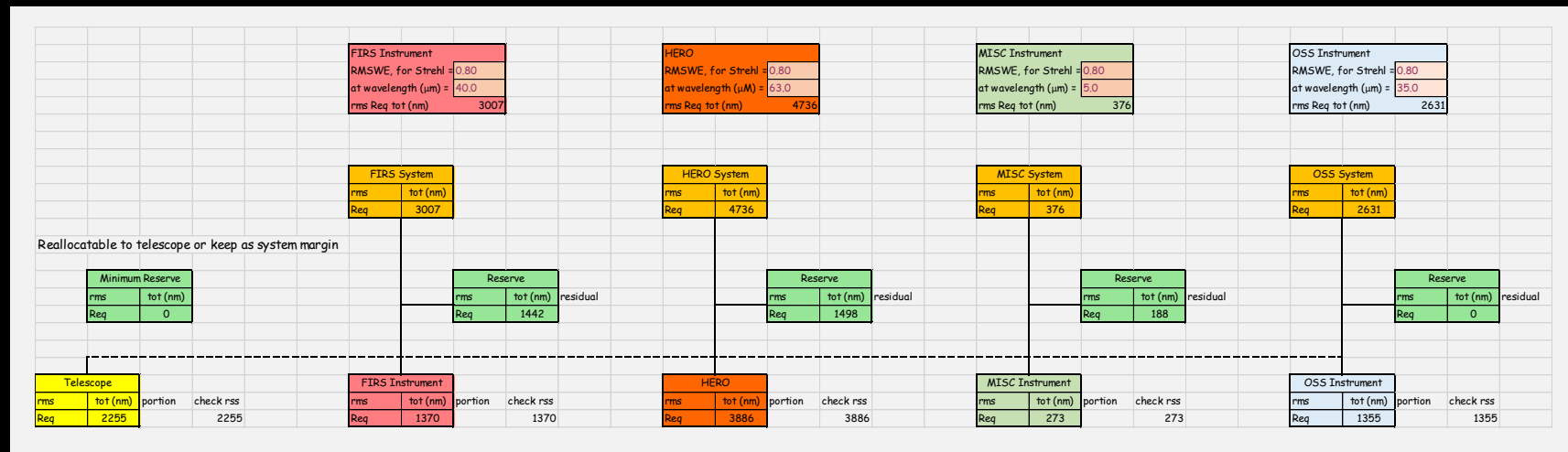
OST Concept 2 error budget

Shows how we take advantage of the relaxed WFE tolerance.

- No cryo-null figuring

Deepen Budget as architecture matures

- Includes alignment of telescope optics and instruments
- low, mid, high allocations
- Break out thermal and dynamic terms
- Focus allocation



OST Concept 2

Secondary Mirror (SM)

Primary Mirror (PM)

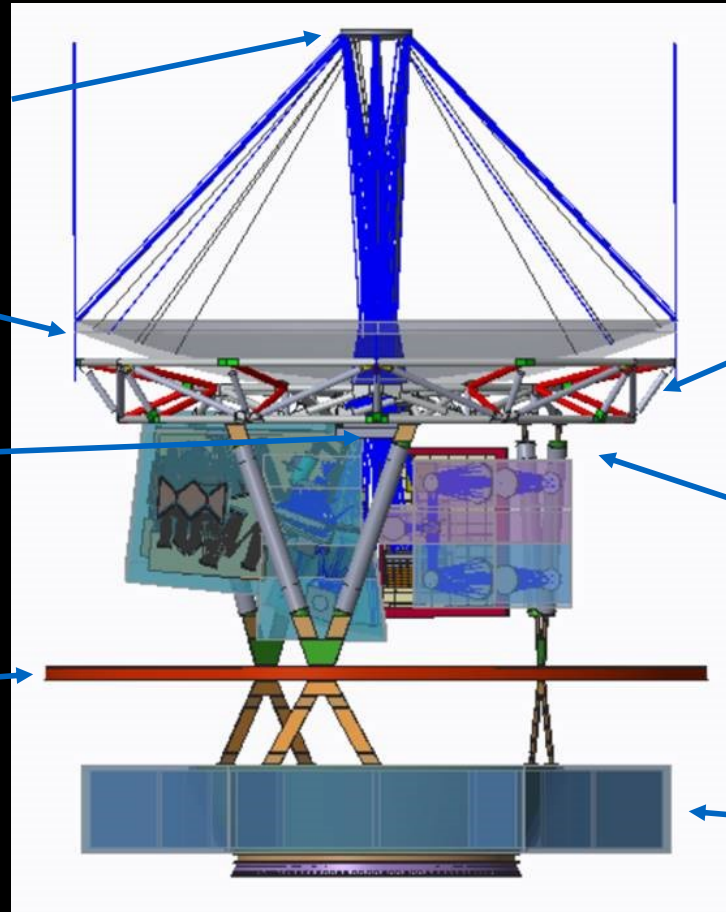
Tertiary Mirror (TM)

~35K boundary

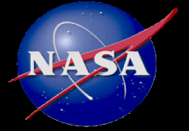
Primary Mirror
Backplane

Instrument
Mounting
Structure (IMS)
(not shown)

Spacecraft bus

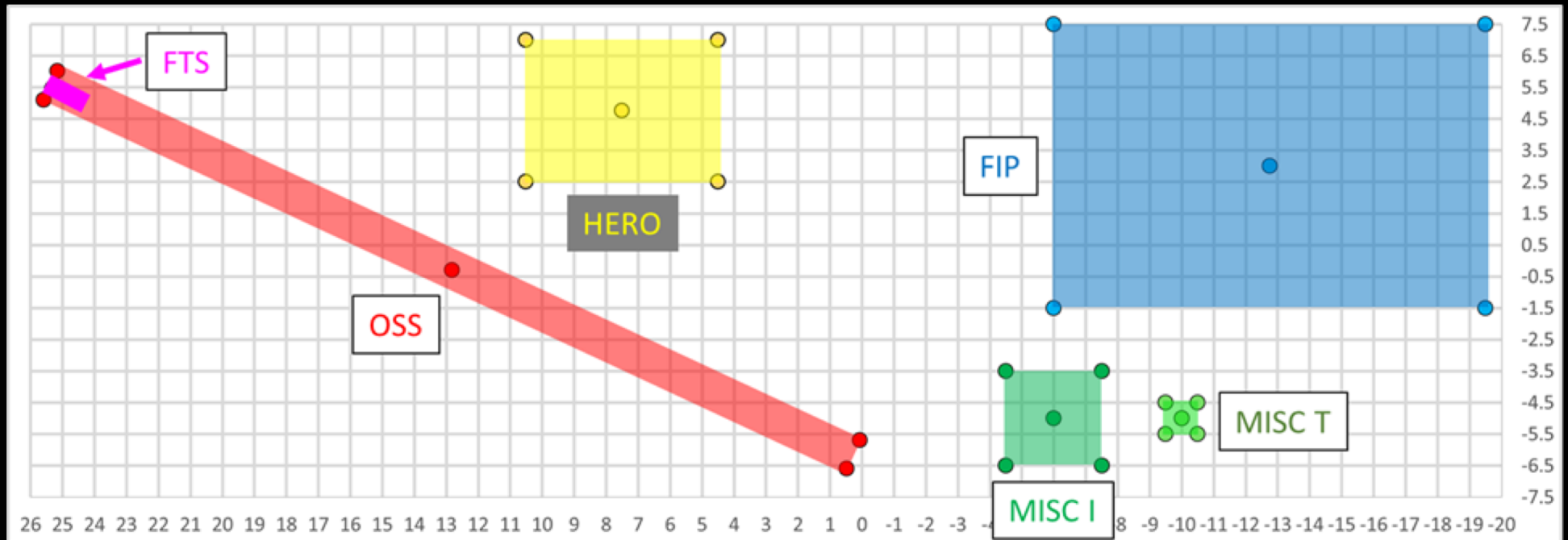


Baseline mission concept



- 5.9 m diameter telescope, same collecting area as JWST
- MISC Transit Spectrometer (2.8 – 20 μm)
- OSS instrument with all 6 bands, FTS, and etalon, with half the original number of pixels (reduced spatial dimension)
- FIP instrument with 50 and 250 μm channels, polarization, and half the original number of pixels
- Temperature increased from 4 to 4.5 K - modest cost saving, but reduces risk and relaxes detector NEP requirement
- Dropped the heterodyne instrument, HERO, and the MISC imager, but maintain volumes allocated to these items
- Descoped items become upscope options
- Changes have only a modest impact on the highest priority science

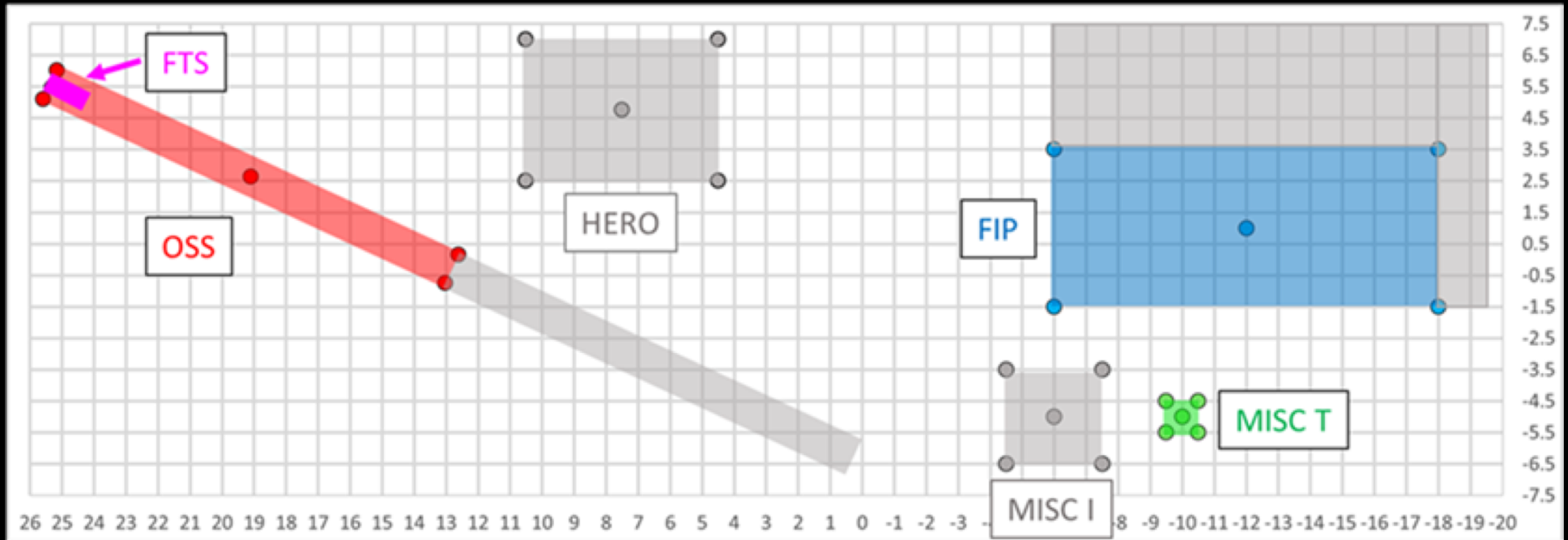
OST Field of View: Concept 2



OSS – Origins Survey Spectrometer
HERO – Heterodyne Receiver for OST
FIP – Far-IR Imager/Polarimeter

MISC – Mid-IR Imager and
Spectrometer (WFI = Wide-field
Imager; TRA = Transit Spectrometer)

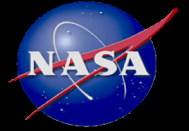
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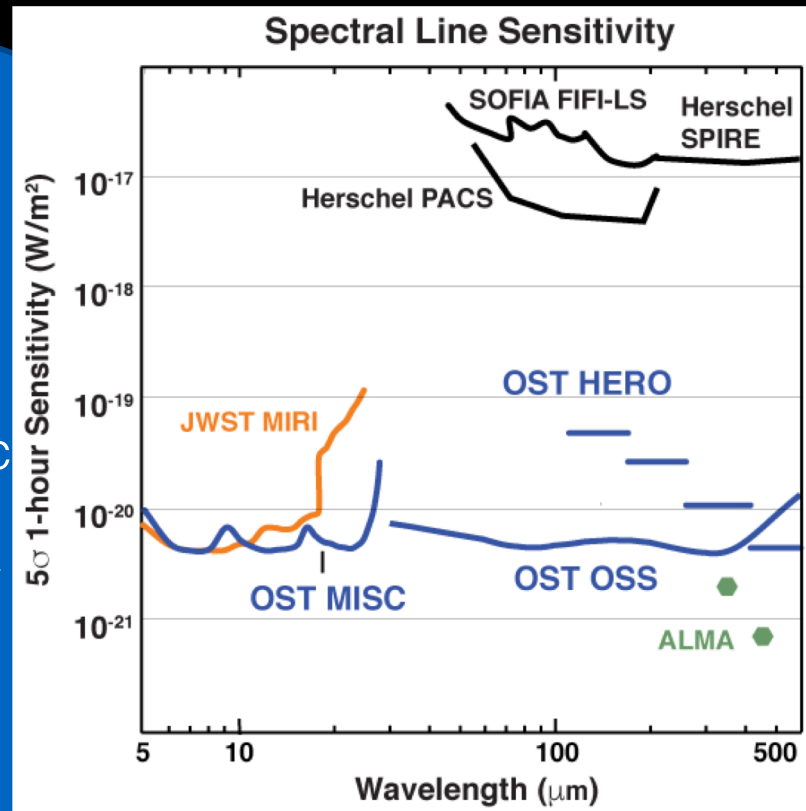
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OST sensitivity

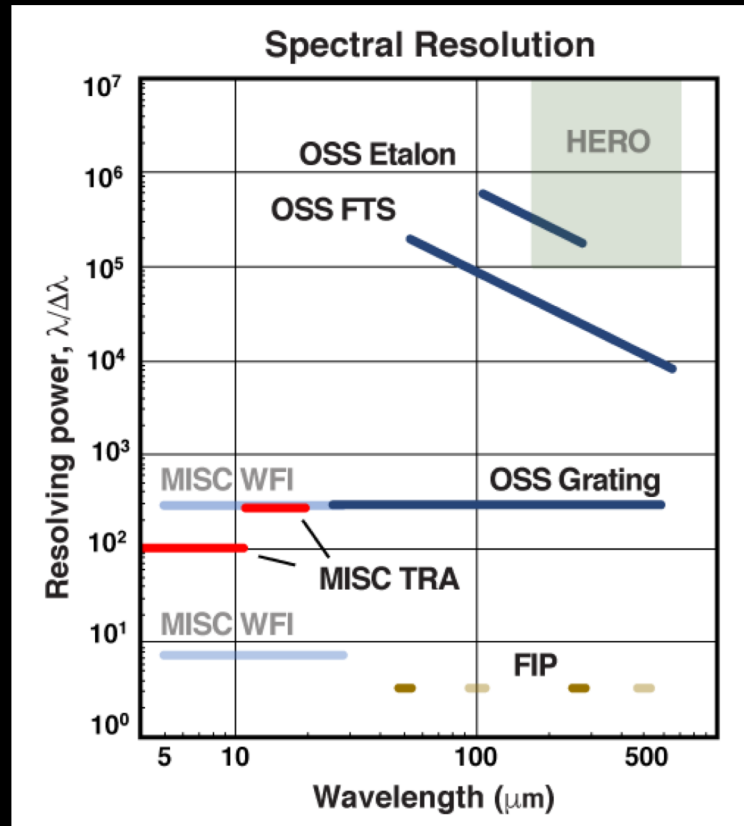


Equivalent difference
optical telescope to
1000x sensitivity



OST is about 3 orders of magnitude more sensitive than Herschel, thanks to its cold temperature and next-generation detectors.

OST spectral resolution



OST's instruments collectively provide the required spectral resolution.

The OST study team will present a scientifically compelling, low-risk, executable mission concept to the 2020 Decadal Survey.

